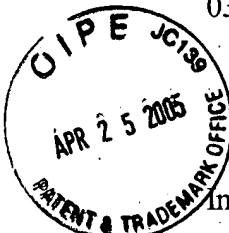


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

A. Introductory Comments

In response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2005, please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks.